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TEN CENTS A WEEK

## KILLED IN CRASH

Most of Automobile Accidents Reported.

## DEAD FATALY INJURED

During Car, Going at High Speed, Struck Through Safety Gates at a Crossing, Was Struck by Train and Killed.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 1.—Driving a touring car across the Reading tracks at Hunting Park avenue in the northern section of the city, late last night, Charles Humphreys, clerk in the bureau of police, was killed by a train. He was in the upholstery materials, were thrown by the train and instantly killed.

Witnesses of the accident say they heard the tooting of an automobile horn and saw the car come rushing down the avenue. The train was about to pass and the gates were down. The car crashed through the gates as the train reached the crossing. The automobile was struck in the middle and tossed into the air.

Humphreys was thrown from the car and Bromley was thrown ahead of the train, only to be run over. His wheels crossed his neck, severing his head from the body and cutting off a leg. Humphreys was dead when picked up.

Chicago, Aug. 1.—Carl Burton, of Chicago, Ill., a student at the University of Chicago, was probably fatally injured in a collision between an automobile and a cab at Michigan and Madison street Friday.

The automobile skidded as it struck the cab and the impact threw Burton out of the car. He suffered a wound on the forehead. The other occupants of the car were slightly hurt. They were taken to the Central police station.

P. Henderson, who was driving the automobile, has gained local notoriety as being the central figure in an automobile "speed war" at Glencoe, a suburb.

He had been cited to appear in court on a charge of speeding. A few weeks ago a young woman in Henderson's car was shot by a Glencoe constable who was enjoining to arrest Henderson for speeding.

Accidents at Horse Show.

Up to Riders at the Long Branch, N. J., Display.

## WATSON SCORES BRYAN.

Declares in Savannah Speech Nebraska is a Renegade.

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 1.—Crowds filled the Savannah theater to overflow to hear Thomas E. Watson Thursday night.

A brass band and a committee of local populists met the candidate at the depot, and he was compelled to hold a reception until he went to the theater.

His speech was a denunciation of Bryan and a plea that the solid south be broken. He declared that Taft, following Roosevelt's policies, would do more for the south than Bryan.

Mr. Watson declared that Bryan is a deserter from democratic principles branded him as a renegade, and declared that the democratic platform is but a job lot of stuff designed to catch votes, and having no other purpose in view but to place Bryan in the white house.

He predicted Bryan's certain defeat, and pleaded for a rift in the solid south in order that this section of the country may secure political independence. He scored Bryan for his play for negro votes, charging him with trampling upon southern feelings and southern pride.

## SKELTON FOUND IN BUSHES.

Perry Disappeared After Receiving a Legacy of \$5,000.

Southington, Conn., Aug. 1.—The skeleton of a man which had long lain hidden in the bushes on Wolcott mountain, was found Thursday by berry pickers.

It is supposed to be the skeleton of Robert Perry, who lived at the foot of the mountain, and who disappeared four years ago after receiving a legacy of \$5,000 from England. Later his wife disappeared, after telling a story to the effect that Perry had gone to England to claim more money. Mrs. Perry was married three times before she met Perry. When the first and second husbands died the medical examiner here was called to view the bodies. He made no report on either case. The third husband got a divorce. Perry was an Englishman, whose family, it was understood, had considerable wealth.

## SAVED SHERMAN'S AMMUNITION.

Death of Veteran Recalls an Incident of the Civil War.

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 1.—Stephen G. Grubb, a civil war veteran, whose action at a critical moment is said to have saved General William T. Sherman's entire store of ammunition just before his famous march from Atlanta to the sea, died here, aged seventy-three.

According to the story, just before the battle of Resaca lightning struck a telegraph pole standing in the midst of three million rounds of infantry and 300,000 rounds of artillery ammunition, the entire supply of General Sherman's army.

The lightning set fire to the pole, and Lieutenant Grubb, assisted by Private Dan R. Anderson, mounted the heap and extinguished the flames at the imminent risk of being blown up.

## Pope Company Reorganized.

Hartford, Conn., Aug. 1.—A reorganization of the Pope Manufacturing company has been effected. New capitalization will be \$3,500,000 of preferred stock and \$1,000,000 of common stock.

The new company will purchase the entire property and will operate the factories here and at Westfield, Mass. The company went into the receivers' hands August 13, 1907.

## Average Condition of Cotton.

Washington, Aug. 1.—The average condition of cotton was 33 per cent on July 25th, as against 31.2 a month ago, and 26 per cent a year ago, according to the report of the department of agriculture. The condition on July 25 of previous years was 33.9; in 1906; 74.9 in 1905, and 31.4 for the past ten years.

## Racing Association Indicted.

New York, Aug. 1.—The Brighton Beach Racing association which concluded a racing meet at the Brighton Beach track on Wednesday was indicted by the Kings county grand jury on a charge of aiding gamblers to violate new anti-gambling laws.

## CLASH IN DELAWARE

State Militiamen and Negroes Engage in Riot.

## SCORE OF PERSONS INJURED

Negro Is Said To Have Hurling Brick Which Struck Private on the Head, Fracturing His Skull and This Started the Trouble.

Rehoboth, Del., Aug. 1.—State militiamen encamped near here and a crowd of negroes of the vicinity engaged in a riot Thursday night in which one man sustained a fractured skull and more than a score of others were injured.

The trouble began when some of the members of company H, First regiment, were standing around a merry-go-round. There were some words between negro bystanders and the soldiers, and one of the negroes hurled a brick, which struck a private on the head, fracturing his skull.

Instantly the soldiers, taking their arms, began pursuing every negro man they could find. The negroes sought refuge under porches, on tops of roofs and even in trees.

Governor Lea sent a detachment of fifty soldiers to arrest the man who threw the brick, and then dispatched officials to pacify the enraged soldiers.

Finally quiet was restored, but not until more than a score of persons had been more or less injured.

## Ovation to Hayes.

Tipperary Welcome Given Winner of the Marathon Race.

Dublin, Aug. 1.—John B. Hayes, the New Yorker who won the Marathon race, was given a popular welcome when he arrived at Nenagh. Tipperary, the home of his grandfather, in Ireland.

The platform of the railroad was crowded with several thousand persons and when the train drew in the athlete was greeted by the town officials. He was then seized by his admirers and carried shoulder-high to his carriage to an accompaniment of cheers and the discharge of innumerable fireworks. The horses were removed from the carriage, which was then pulled triumphantly by the crowd through the streets of Nenagh to the residence of the young man's grandfather.

## Nurse Saved Boy's Life.

Would Have Been Mangled Under a Train but for Her Presence of Mind.

Superior, Wis., Aug. 1.—Miss Ethel Willis, a nurse of this city, saved the life of an unknown fourteen-year-old boy.

While waiting for a street car she saw the boy playing on a train half a block away, fall under the train. She ran toward him and saw that one car had passed over the boy without doing injury. But the boy began to crawl toward the rails and was nearing sure death when the woman commanded the boy to lie still.

Waving to the trainmen to stop, she kept commanding the boy to hug the earth, and after five cars had passed over him, the train came to a stop, the boy being unharmed.

## Hazel Drew Mystery.

Troy, N. Y., Aug. 1.—Coroner Strobe has made public his findings as the result of the inquest into the death of Hazel Drew, whose body was found in Teal Pond on July 11.

The finding is that death was caused by "a blow on the head from some blunt instrument in some manner unknown." What is now regarded as the most promising clue is the rumormongering of two strange men. They were seen on the Taborton road at Teal pond on the night of July 7, when Hazel Drew was supposed to have gone to a violent death.

## Hot Day in Chicago.

Chicago, July 31.—Thursday was the hottest of the recent torrid days, the thermometer at 10 o'clock registering 97 degrees. Up to that hour one death and several prostrations had been reported.

## TRIED TO WRECK BANK.

Supposed Black Hand Attempt Made at Newark, N. J.

New York, Aug. 1.—Bomb throwers Friday night attempted to wreck the banking house of Salvator D. Auria in Newark. They did not succeed, but managed to blow up the big stone stoop leading to the bank. The explosion also blew out the plate glass windows of the saloon of Dominick Dilone in the basement beneath it.

There was a panic among the five clerks in the bank, two of whom were women. The explosion was heard at the second precinct station, three blocks away, and the reserves ran out. They learned that two men had been seen to throw something with a light on the end of it under the bank's steps a few minutes before the explosion occurred.

Citizens who saw believed it was a cigar but the police are satisfied it was a bomb with a burning fuse.

Auria, the banker, and his brother-in-law, Sarchie, who lives in the adjoining house, have been recently receiving threatening black hand letters and have called the attention of the police to it. It is believed the attempt to wreck the bank is the outcome of their refusal to meet the demands of the blackmailers.

## STARTLING CHARGE MADE.

Many Blind Children Victims of Careless Physicians or Nurses.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 1.—One-third of the blind children of this country are the victims of careless physicians or midwives.

This is the startling charge that Superintendent George W. Jones for the Illinois School for the Blind makes in an article in the forthcoming issue of the bulletin of the state board of charities.

Superintendent Jones says: "Inflammation of the eyes of the new born is an acute infection of the eyes occurring from one to three days after birth. A two per cent solution of silver nitrate is an absolute specific for this disease and a one per cent solution can be administered without danger by the most untrained person."

## Pian Reception for Athletes.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 1.—Plans are under way to give the three Olympic champions who sail from Oregon, Forest S. Smithson, Daniel J. Kelly and Alfred C. Gilbert, a state-wide reception on their return to this country and state. The plans contemplate bringing the athletes from New York to Portland in a special car, decorated with banners showing the wonderful performances of the three Oregon athletes.

## Yacht Lurline Won Race.

Honolulu, Aug. 1.—The yacht race from this port to Hilo was won by the Lurline of the South Coast yacht club of San Pedro, Cal. The race was started July 28 and was participated in by the yachts Lurline, the Lady Maud, the Gwendolyn II, and the Hawaii and Kamichameha. The first four yachts were contestants in the trans-Pacific race which was also won by the Lurline.

## Editor Sevier Not Guilty.

London, Aug. 1.—Robert Sevier, editor of the Winning Post, was found not guilty at the Old Bailey of the charge that he had attempted to blackmail Jack Joel, a nephew of the late Barney Harnato, by threatening to publish a defamatory article about Joel unless the latter paid him \$25,000. The trial has been going on for several days.

## Establish Big Snuff Factory.

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 1.—A G. O. Rie, Ky., dispatch to the Banner says that the dark tobacco Planters' Protective association has in contemplation the establishment of a gigantic snuff factory to be located under the auspices of the association, but that body not to be financially interested in it in any way.

## Feudist Captured and Jailed.

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 1.—Henry Tharp, the Breathitt county feudist, who caused a reign of terror on last Wednesday when adjudged insane by smiting himself and defying arrest, was captured and placed in an asylum here Friday.

## TRAGEDY IN HOSPITAL

Man Kills Daughter, a Woman, Wounds Wife, Then Suicides.

## ALSO INJURES SISTER-IN-LAW

John Fifer, Who Had Been Forbidden to Enter Hospital Where His Wife and Daughter Were, Gained Access by Stealth and Fired on Inmates.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 1.—Jesse Fifer, a grip-man, killed his eight-year-old daughter, Hazel, and Mrs. Dennis Nihoule, a confinement patient; fatally wounded his wife, Mrs. L. Fifer, and seriously wounded Mrs. Ethel Warren, his sister-in-law, in a private maternity hospital here Thursday night. He then turned his revolver upon himself and committed suicide.

Fifer and his wife had been separated and she lived at the hospital.

Although forbidden to go near the house, he made his way into the place through the basement. After finding his wife seated in a front room at the place, he started shooting.

The lights went out after the first shot and he had to light matches to see the victims to shoot at.

His daughter and Mrs. Nihoule were driven into the street, where he shot them.

## DUEL WITH BURGLARS.

Night Watchman of Country Manor Puts Bandits to Flight.

Greenwich, Conn., Aug. 1.—Converse Manor, the 1,300 acre estate of B. E. Converse, a wealthy New Yorker, and a director of the United States Steel corporation, was the scene of a pistol duel between three burglars and the night watchman on the estate early Friday morning.

The men were driven off after a number of shots had been fired. The watchman declares that one of the burglars was struck by a bullet.

The presence of the burglars was made known by Mr. Converse's pet collie, who, barking loudly, ran to a hedge near the watchman's cottage. As the watchman approached three men sprang upon him, pinioned his arms and pointed a revolver at his head and directed him to make no outcry.

In the meantime the collie's barking had aroused the household. The robbers became frightened, and releasing their prisoner, ran toward the street.

The watchman opened fire, and the fleeing desperadoes, turning as they ran, fired back shot for shot. All three succeeded in getting away just as Mr. Converse, with a revolver in either hand, rushed down to take a hand in the battle.

The shooting was not the first in which members of the Converse family have figured. Several years ago Mr. Converse's daughter, Mrs. Antonietta Morrell, was set upon by a masked man who had entered her house, shot and so severely wounded her that her life was in danger for many days. It was thought an attempt might have been made to kidnap Mrs. Morrell's three-year-old child.

Later, however, a man who gave his name as John Brown, was arrested for the assault. He was convicted and is now serving a term in the state prison. Mrs. Morrell had been separated from her husband at the time of the assault.

## Cloakmakers to Strike.

New York, Aug. 1.—While the coat makers who are organized as the Brotherhood of Tailors, have decided to have no general strike this year, the cloakmakers, it is announced, are preparing for their first general strike in fourteen years. The cloakmakers broke away some time ago from the United Garment Workers of America.

## Gov. Little in Sanitarium.

St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 1.—Governor John B. Little, of Arkansas, has been placed in a sanitarium here. He has been suffering from a nervous break-down, almost ever since his election, which has developed almost acute melancholia. His condition is not encouraging.